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For: ADJUVANT COMPRISING A POLYOXYETHYLENE ALKYL ETHER
OR ESTER AND AT LEAST ONE NON-IONIC SURFACTANT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to the examination of this application, applicants respectfully request amendment of the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-36.

Please add new claims 37-68.

37. An adjuvant composition comprising (a) polyoxyethylene alkyl ether or ester of general formula (I):



wherein, n is 1-50, A is a bond or $-\text{C}(\text{O})-$, R is C_{1-50} alkyl or Phenyl C_{1-50} alkyl; and (b) at least one additional non-ionic surfactant.

38. An adjuvant composition as claimed in claim 37, wherein said additional non-ionic surfactant is an Octoxynol.

39. An adjuvant composition as claimed in claim 38, wherein said Octoxynol is t-octylphenoxypolyethoxyethanol (TRITON X100™).